to be issued to the purchaser and his representations heard previous to the cancellation of the sale.

Reply of Government.—The matter will be considered, if specific instances of hardship are brought to notice.

Subject No. 116 Appointment of Shanbhog Gumastas.

Summary of discussion.—The offices of shanbhog and patel are hereditary The registerdar will often have to get work done by a gumasta, but the recent order of Government requires the registerdar to do the duties himself or resign the office in favor of another A reconsideration of the order is prayed for, so as to admit of a Gumasta being appointed on the responsibility of the registerdar.

Reply of Government.—Will be separately published.

Subject No. 117.

(a) Tari Banjar remissions.

(*a*) *Summary of discussion.*—The system of granting Tari Banjar remissions may be introduced as in the adjoining districts of Her Majesty's Territories. This would prevent the raiyats from resigning lands every year as they are doing at present.

When crops are not raised below tanks owing to insufficient supply of water, due to failure of rains, dry assessment may be levied instead of the wet *rate*. In connection with the question of Tari Banjar remission, a record showing the supply and consumption of water in the case of each tank may be ordered to be maintained.

Mr. Venkatramaiya of Chitaldrug prayed that when a particular tank does not get a supply of water, only $\frac{1}{2}$ the assessment should be levied on the lands below it.

(b) Banjar remission

(*b*). *Summary of discussion.*—Assessment on lands lying waste may be remitted, as even grass has not grown on them, owing to scarcity of rain this year.

Reply of Government (*a*) and (*b*).—Attention is invited to replies given to similar representations at previous meetings.

Subject No. 118. Cultivation of lands applied for in anticipation of permission.

Summary of discussion.—The present practice of levying a fine for cultivation of lands applied for, in anticipation of permission, discourages the extension of cultivation of unoccupied lands and may therefore be done away with.

Reply of Government.—Rule XXI of the Land Revenue Rules is sufficiently liberal, and individual cases of undeserved fine may form the subject of separate complaint.

Subject No. 119. Loans for Irrigation wells.

Summary of discussion.—Under the Land Improvement Loans Regulation, advances for irrigation wells are given at the rate of Rs. 95 per acre of irrigable land. This provision may be modified so as to allow of the advance being increased to Rs. 500 per acre. Loans may also be granted for wells in wet lands.

Reply of Government.—Noted. Special loans are being given for wells in wet lands with Government sanction.